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SUBJ: RUPEES: STATUS REPORT

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1. IF WEINRAUB/SIMONS STORIES IN TODAY'S PRESS ARE ANY INDICATION, AMBASSADOR HAS DONE SUPERB JOB IN BRIEFING PRESS ON RUPEE SETTLEMENT. (SEE USINFO MESSAGE FOR TEXTS). P.S. WE EXPECTED HIM TO. EMBASSY PRESS BRIEFING PAPER WAS ALSO FIRST-CLASS JOB.

2. CONGRESS IS EXPECTED TO ADJOURN DECEMBER 20, 21, OR 22 AND TO RECONVENE ON JANUARY 21. WHILE BY LETTER OF LAW AGREEMENT COULD ENTER INTO FORCE JANUARY 17 IF TRANSMITTED E.G. DECEMBER 17, WE ARE PREPARED TO EXTEND TIME PERIOD THIRTY DAYS WHILE CONGRESS IS IN SESSION, IF WE RECEIVE REQUEST FROM COMMITTEES TO DO SO ON GROUNDS THAT THIRTY CALENDAR DAYS LARGELY CONSUMED BY XMAS RECESS AND WOULD MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE TO CONSIDER BILL SERIOUSLY.

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WE WILL ALSO INDICATE OUR READINESS TO REQUEST AMBASSADOR

MOYNIHAN TO RETURN IN ORDER TO MEET WITH COMMITTEES IF THEY FEEL THIS IS NECESSARY. WE WILL ALSO ADVISE PROMPTLY IF LETTERS FROM AMBASSADOR MOYNIHAN SEEM APPROPRIATE AS CONSULTATIONS ADVANCE.

3. TRANSMITTAL TO HILL. STATE AND AGRICULTURE ARE STANDING AT THE READY TO TRANSMIT THE TEXT OF THE AGREEMENT TO THE FOUR COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN CONCERNED, IMMEDIATELY ON LEARNING OF FAVORABLE ACTION BY THE WHITE HOUSE.

4. GAO. GAO IS CALLING ON INS DECEMBER 17 PURSUANT TO FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE REQUEST (STATE 232696). WE WILL KEEP YOU FULLY AND PROMPTLY POSTED. UNDERSTAND LEE HAMILTON ALSO ASKING GAO REVIEW SETTLEMENT. RUSH

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